

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2006 – 0530 MST
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 33 new fires reported. Three new large fires were reported, two in the Southern Area and one Southwest Area. Two large fires were contained, one each in the Rocky Mountain and Southwest Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in California, Nebraska, and South Dakota.

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS IA, Texas Forest Service. A Unified Command between two Type 1 Incident Management Teams (Quesinberry and Custer), a Florida State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hill), and a Texas State Type 2 Incident Commander (Hannemann), representing the state of Texas, are in place in Granbury and Abilene, TX. The Unified Command is assisting local jurisdictions in managing existing fires and initial attack within the 220,000 square mile West Zone fire management response area. Figures in the table represent cumulative fire activity to date for the response area. Operations responded to 13 new fires totaling 609 acres. Three outbuildings were lost on the Tidwell fire in Parmer County.

EAST TEXAS IA, Texas Forest Service. A Texas State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Rose) is assigned to assist local dispatch zones in managing existing fires and initial attack in east Texas. Ten fires for 24 acres were reported.

MISSION, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is eight miles southwest of Anadarko, OK in grass and brush. Two outbuildings and a wooden bridge were destroyed. Evacuations were ordered for several small communities south and west of Anadarko.

RATLIFF CITY, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is in Carter County, OK in brush. Structure protection is in place. Spotting fire behavior was reported.

MCNALLY FLAT, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is seven miles north of Featherston, OK in grass. No new information was reported.

HATSTACK CREEK, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is 12 miles south of Sayre, OK in grass. No new information was reported.

HENRYETTA, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is five miles southeast of Henryetta, OK in timber and grass understory. No further information was received.

SOUTH PERRY, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is three miles west of Orlando, OK in grass and timber. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is reported.

PUMKIN CENTER, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is three miles northeast of Braggs, OK in grass. No new information was reported.

MULHALL, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is one mile north of Mulhall, OK in timber understory and grass. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

STILLWATER 1, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is seven miles northwest of Perkins, OK in Eastern Red Cedar and grass. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is reported.

INDIAN SPRINGS, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is 15 miles northwest of Guthrie, OK in grass and brush. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS IA	TX	TXS	21,366	NR	UNK	681	2	46	20	10	70K	N/A
EAST TEXAS IA	TX	TXS	11,841	NR	UNK	407	0	8	4	19	12K	PRI
RATLIFF CITY	OK	OXS	6,500	NR	UNK	27	0	4	0	0	NR	ST
MISSION	OK	ANA	350	75	UNK	52	0	19	0	3	10K	BIA
MCNALLY FLAT	OK	OXS	6,000	95	UNK	3	0	2	2	0	NR	ST
HATSTACK CREEK	OK	OXS	3,000	85	UNK	2	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
HENRYETTA	OK	OXS	2,000	60	UNK	11	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
SOUTH PERRY	OK	OXS	600	90	UNK	2	0	1	0	1	NR	ST
PUMKIN CENTER	OK	OXS	550	90	UNK	3	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
MULHALL	OK	OXS	500	80	UNK	2	0	1	0	1	NR	ST
STILLWATER 1	OK	OXS	350	85	UNK	12	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
INDIAN SPRINGS	OK	OXS	300	90	UNK	2	0	1	0	0	NR	ST

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

MAURICIO CANYON, Huerfano County. This fire is four miles west of Aguilar, CO in ponderosa pine, oakbrush, grass and juniper. Structures within the perimeter remain threatened. Active burning within the interior was reported. The reduction in acres is due to more accurate mapping.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
MAURICIO CANYON	CO	HUX	3,878	45	UNK	83	1	10	0	15	262K	CNTY
PLAINVIEW	CO	JEX	2,700	100	---	6	0	1	0	5	187K	CNTY

JEX – Jefferson County

SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
476MM6	NM	N5S	1,300	100	---	50	0	20	0	0	1.7K	CNTY

N5S – New Mexico State Forestry, Capitan District

OUTLOOK:

Red Flag Warnings: North-central to northeast Texas for low humidities. Southern Texas for low humidities and gusty winds.

Fire Weather Watch: East, southeast, and south Texas for low humidities and gusty winds.

Weather Discussion: Cooler temperatures and higher humidity today across the southern plains and Texas in the wake of yesterday's storm system. Breezy conditions over portions of eastern Texas and southeastern Oklahoma will keep fire potential high.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southern Area Oklahoma and Texas: Mostly Sunny.	Oklahoma: 50s to 60s. Texas: 60s.	Oklahoma: Teens to 20%. Texas: Teens to near 30%.	Oklahoma: less than 15 mph. Texas: 15 to 25 mph.
Rocky Mountain Colorado and Kansas: Mostly sunny.	In the 50s, with 30s in the mountains.	20 to 35%, except 15 to 25% in southeast Colorado.	West 8 to 15, except northwest 10 to 20 mph gusting to 30 mph over Kansas.
Southern California Partly cloudy. Rain northwest by late afternoon and over much of region late Friday night.	50 to 65 mountains. 65 to 75 valleys. 55 to 65 upper deserts. 65 to 75 lower deserts.	25 to 40%.	Southeast to southwest 10 to 20 mph with higher gusts.



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EXTREME FIRE BEHAVIOR

Extreme fire behavior has always been present in cases of shelter deployment. It is critical for firefighters to maintain situational awareness of live and dead fuel moisture conditions as well as predicted and current weather conditions. As fire behavior changes, it is critical to act decisively to the changing situation.

● Discuss the following indicators of extreme fire behavior:

- Relative humidity less than 15%
- 1-hour fuel moisture less than 5%
- Trees crowning inside the fireline
- Smoldering fires that exist in the early part of the day are beginning to burn very actively as the day progresses.
- Approaching thunderheads with dark clouds beneath
- Presence of dust devils indicating an unstable atmosphere
- Increased spotting
- Sudden calm
- High clouds moving fast in direction different from surface wind
- Predicted Haines Index of 5 and 6 in those areas where this level is a good indicator of atmospheric instability

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1				2	1	4
	ACRES	1				1,302	1	1,304
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES	1			1	26	1	29
	ACRES	300			0	6,469	10	6,779
TOTAL	FIRES	2	0	0	1	28	2	33
	ACRES	301	0	0	0	7,771	11	8,083

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1				5	9	15
	ACRES	1				62,022	15	62,038
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		3			4	2	9
	ACRES		0			7,900	1	7,901
Eastern Area	FIRES					4	7	11
	ACRES					598	105	703
Southern Area	FIRES	15		29	7	1,421	72	1,544
	ACRES	725		4,396	1,385	439,547	2,434	448,487
TOTAL	FIRES	16	3	29	7	1,434	91	1,580
	ACRES	726	0	4,396	1,385	510,067	2,555	519,129

Five Year Average Fires	656
Five Year Average Acres	4,629

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES		1	1			8	10
	ACRES		2	1			131	134
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						35	35
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						88	88
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					4	5	9
	ACRES					470	2,552	3,022
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	1	0	4	16	22
	ACRES	0	2	1	0	470	2,806	3,279

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AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		100					100
Northern California	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						17	17
Southern California	FIRES			1			12	13
	ACRES			1			291	292
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						120	120
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						298	298
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			13	3	1	2	19
	ACRES			1,991	10	30	222	2,253
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			4		57	24	85
	ACRES			588		41,874	17,604	60,066
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	18	3	58	47	127
	ACRES	0	100	2,580	10	41,904	18,552	63,146

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		8				1	9
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	8	0	0	0	1	9

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RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska										
Northwest										
Northern California										
Southern California										
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest				20						
Rocky Mountain		1	4	7					28	16
Eastern Area										
Southern Area	5		35	150	6	20	7	8	340	501
Total	5	1	39	177	6	20	7	8	368	517

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